

2019 Current Fiscal Year Report: Disability Advisory Committee

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1. Department or Agency

Federal Communications Commission

2. Fiscal Year

2019

3. Committee or Subcommittee

Disability Advisory Committee

3b. GSA Committee No.

2518

4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?

No

5. Current Charter

12/21/2018

6. Expected Renewal Date

12/21/2020

7. Expected Term Date

8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?

No

8b. Specific Termination Authority

No

8c. Actual Term Date

9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year

Continue

10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?

No

10b. Legislation Pending?

Not Applicable

11. Establishment Authority Agency Authority

12. Specific Establishment Authority

Request from Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau to the Managing Director

13. Effective Date

09/02/2014

14. Committee Type

Continuing

14c. Presidential?

No

15. Description of Committee National Policy Issue Advisory Board

16a. Total Number of Reports

No Reports for this Fiscal Year

17a. Open 1 Meetings and Dates 17b. Closed 0 17c. Partially Closed 0 Other Activities 0 17d. Total 1

Purpose

Regular Plenary meeting

Start

10/03/2018

End

- 10/03/2018

Number of Committee Meetings Listed: 1

Current FY Next FY

18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members

\$0.00 \$0.00

18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members

\$0.00 \$0.00

18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff

\$0.00 \$0.00

18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants

\$0.00 \$0.00

18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members

\$0.00 \$0.00

18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members

\$0.00 \$0.00

18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff

\$0.00 \$0.00

18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants

\$0.00 \$0.00

18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)

\$0.00 \$0.00

18d. Total	\$0.00	\$0.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	0.00	0.00

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

Issues or questions to be considered by the DAC may include, but are not limited to, the following: • Telecommunications Relay Services (TRS) (Section 225 of the Communications Act); • Closed Captioning (Sections 303(u), (z), and 713 of the Communications Act); • Video Description (Sections 303(u), (z), and 713 of the Communications Act); • Access to Emergency Information (Sections 303(u), (z), and 713 of the Communications Act); • Accessible User Interfaces on Video Programming Apparatus/Access to Program Guides and Menus Provided by Navigation Devices (Sections 303(aa) and (bb) of the Communications Act); • Communications Access: • Telecommunications Services and Equipment (Section 255 of the Communications Act); • Advanced Communications Services and Equipment (Sections 716 and 718 of the Communications Act); • Hearing Aid Compatibility (Section 710 of the Communications Act); • Access to Emergency Services (9-1-1) (Section 106 of the Twenty-First Century Communications and Video Accessibility Act); • National Deaf-Blind Equipment Distribution Program (Section 719 of the Communications Act); • The Impact of IP and Other Network Transitions on People with Disabilities.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

Members will represent a wide variety of entities with interests in disability access, including TRS, closed captioning, video description, access to emergency information, accessible user interfaces on video programming apparatus, access to program guides and menus provided by navigation devices, communications access, hearing aid compatibility, access to emergency services, the National Deaf-Blind Equipment Distribution Program, and IP and other network transitions as they impact individuals with disabilities. Members will include representatives of organizations and entities representing people with disabilities, as well as representatives of state or local governments and industry, and, if serving as Special Government Employees, individuals with significant expertise in the issues to be addressed by the DAC. Together, these members will be selected to represent a balance of viewpoints that are necessary to address effectively the issues to be considered by the DAC.

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

Estimated Number of Meetings per Year - 3 Estimated Total Meetings - 6

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

The mission of the DAC is to make recommendations to the Commission on its full range of disability access issues and to suggest ways to facilitate the participation of consumers with disabilities in proceedings before the Commission. This Committee is intended to provide an effective means for stakeholders with interests in this area to exchange ideas and develop recommendations for accessibility solutions, which will in turn enhance the Commission's policy making on disability access issues.

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

Not Applicable

21. Remarks

Not Applicable

Designated Federal Officer

Will Schell DFO

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Alkebsi, Zainab	01/05/2017	12/29/2018	Policy Counsel	Representative Member
Alkebsi, Zainab	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	Policy Counsel	Representative Member
Bacon, Everette	01/05/2017	12/29/2018	Field Services Coordinator, Utah Division of Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired	Representative Member
Bacon, Everette	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	President of the National Federation of the Blind of Utah	Representative Member
Bastian, Zachary	01/05/2017	12/29/2018	Manager, Strategic Alliances and Public Policy	Representative Member
Bastian, Zack	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	Manager, Public Policy and Strategic Alliances	Representative Member
Behm, Gary	01/05/2017	12/29/2018	Director, Center on Access Technology	Representative Member
Berrier, Jerry	01/05/2017	12/29/2018	Rhode Island DeafBlind Equipment Distribution Programs	Representative Member
Bibler, Ron	01/05/2017	12/29/2018	Consumer	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Blakeney, Shellie	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	Director, Federal Regulatory Affairs Department	Representative Member
Burger, Brianne	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	Director and Liaison to the Special Institutions	Representative Member
Burstein, Diane	01/05/2017	12/29/2018	Vice President and Deputy General Counsel	Representative Member
Card, John	01/05/2017	12/29/2018	Director of Standards and Technology	Representative Member
Creagan, Timothy	01/05/2017	12/29/2018	Senior Accessibility Specialist, U.S. Access Board	Ex Officio Member
Creagan, Timothy	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	Senior Accessibility Specialist	Representative Member
Davert, Scott	01/05/2017	12/29/2018	Coordinator, New York DeafBlind Equipment Distribution Program	Representative Member
Davis, Townsend	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	Assistant Chief Counsel	Representative Member
Diaz, Maria	01/05/2017	12/29/2018	President	Representative Member
Diaz, Maria	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	President	Representative Member
Gallagher, BJ	01/05/2017	12/29/2018	Chair, Board of Directors	Representative Member

Goldberg, Larry	01/05/2017	12/29/2018	Director of Accessible Media	Representative Member
Graves, Kara	01/05/2017	12/29/2018	Director of Regulatory Affairs	Representative Member
Graves, Kara	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	Director, Regulatory Affairs	Representative Member
Guinivan, Phyllis	01/05/2017	12/29/2018	Project Manager, Center for Disability Studies, Univ. Delaware	Representative Member
Hamlin, Lise	01/05/2017	12/29/2018	Director of Public Policy	Representative Member
Hamlin, Lise	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	Director of Public Policy	Representative Member
Hlibok, Gregory	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	Chief Legal Officer	Representative Member
Holmes, Pamela	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	Executive Director, Consumer & Regulator Affairs & Captel Customer Service	Representative Member
Joehl, Sam	01/05/2017	12/29/2018	Accessibility Consultant	Representative Member
Joehl, Sam	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	Principal Accessibility Consultant	Representative Member
Jones, Gay	01/05/2017	12/29/2018	Strategic Communications Specialist, Federal Emergency Management Agency, U.S. Department of Homeland Security	Ex Officio Member
Jones, Gay	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	Disability Integration Communications Specialist, Office of Disability Integration and Coordination	Representative Member
Kirby, Maria	02/28/2018	12/29/2018	Senior Policy Counsel	Representative Member
Kirby, Maria	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	Senior Policy Counsel	Representative Member
Lintz, Dana	11/01/2017	12/29/2018	Lead Correspondence Analyst - U.S. Small Business Administration	Ex Officio Member
Maddix, Michael	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	Director of Government and Regulatory Affairs, Sorenson Communications, LLC	Representative Member
Malaier, Sarah	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	Public Policy and Research Advisor	Representative Member
Martinez, Eddie	01/05/2017	12/29/2018	Assistive Technology Specialist	Representative Member
Mitchell, Helena	01/05/2017	12/29/2018	Executive Director, Center for Advanced Communications Policy, Georgia Institute of Technology	Representative Member
Nemeth, Rachel	01/05/2017	12/29/2018	Director Regulatory Affairs	Representative Member
Nemeth, Rachel	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	Director, Regulatory Affairs	Representative Member
Niyongabo, Isidore	01/05/2017	12/29/2018	Member	Representative Member
Niyongabo, Isidore	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	Director of Advocacy and Public Engagement	Representative Member
Nygren, Maggie	01/05/2017	12/29/2018	Executive Director & CEO	Representative Member
Nygren, Margaret	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	Executive Director & Chief Executive Officer	Representative Member
Parker, Darlene	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	Director of Steno Captioning and Realtime Relations	Representative Member
Pila, Joshua	01/05/2017	12/29/2018	General Counsel, Local Media, Meredith Corporation	Representative Member
Pila, Joshua	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	General Counsel, Local Media Group, Meredith Corporation	Representative Member
Rafi, Abe	01/05/2017	12/29/2018	Director, Digital Strategy & Online Services	Representative Member
Ray, Richard	01/05/2017	12/29/2018	ADA Technology Access Coordinator	Representative Member
Richardson, Carl	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	Member of Boston Disability Commission Advisory Board	Representative Member
Richert, Mark	01/05/2017	12/29/2018	Director of Public Policy	Representative Member
Rosen, Jeff	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	General Counsel	Representative Member
Rosenthal, Rebecca	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	Telecommunications Resources Program Manager, State of North Carolina Division of Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing	Representative Member
Salaets, Ken	01/05/2017	12/29/2018	Director, Global Policy	Representative Member
Scarpelli, Brian	01/05/2017	12/29/2018	Senior Policy Counsel	Representative Member

Scarpelli, Brian	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	Senior Policy Counsel	Representative Member
Schaefer, Savannah	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	Policy Counsel, Government Affairs	Representative Member
Schroeder, Paul	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	Vice President, Public Policy and Strategic Initiatives	Representative Member
Selznick, Dennis	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	Business Development Manager	Representative Member
Snyder, Joel	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	President	Representative Member
Sonnenstrahl, Al	01/05/2017	12/29/2018	Vice President	Representative Member
Srinivasan, Amita	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	President	Representative Member
Stephens, Anthony	01/05/2017	12/29/2018	Director of Advocacy & Governmental Affairs	Representative Member
Stephens, Anthony	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	Director of Advocacy & Governmental Affairs	Representative Member
Stout, Claude	01/05/2017	12/29/2018	Executive Director	Representative Member
Stout, Claude	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	Executive Director, Telecommunications for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Inc.	Representative Member
Strecker, Michael	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	Vice President of Regulatory and Strategic Policy	Representative Member
Taylor, Jamie	01/05/2017	12/29/2018	Representative	Representative Member
Trager, Brian	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	Associate Director, National Technical Institute for the Deaf (NTID) Center on Access Technology	Representative Member
Vandeloop, Linda	01/05/2017	12/29/2018	AVP External Affairs, Regulatory	Representative Member
Vandeloop, Linda	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	Assistant Vice President External Affairs and Regulatory	Representative Member
Vogler, Christian	01/05/2017	12/29/2018	Associate Professor and Director, Technology Access Program	Representative Member
Vogler, Christian	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	Director, Technology Access Program	Representative Member
Wlodkowski, Thomas	01/05/2017	12/29/2018	Vice President for Accessibility	Representative Member
Wlodkowski, Tom	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	Vice President, Accessibility and Multicultural Technology and Products	Representative Member
York, Heather	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	Vice President, Government Affairs	Representative Member
Yunashko, Bryen	01/05/2017	12/29/2018	Consumer	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Ziegler, Dixie	12/21/2018	12/21/2020	Vice President of Relay	Representative Member

Number of Committee Members Listed: 79

Narrative Description

The Disability Advisory Committee supports the FCC's strategic goal of Making Networks Work for Everyone. Because broadband networks are essential to our national well being, the FCC must ensure that all Americans can take advantage of the services they provide. This particularly includes accessibility for Americans with disabilities.

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

Improvements to health or safety	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Trust in government	<input type="checkbox"/>
Major policy changes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Advance in scientific research	<input type="checkbox"/>
Effective grant making	<input type="checkbox"/>
Improved service delivery	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Increased customer satisfaction	<input type="checkbox"/>
Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Outcome Comments

Not Applicable

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

None	<input type="checkbox"/>
Unable to Determine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Under \$100,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$100,000 - \$500,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Over \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cost Savings Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Cost Savings Comments

Not Applicable

What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

28

Number of Recommendations Comments

20 recommendations during first term. 8 recommendations during second term. 0 recommendations during current term.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?

29%

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

9 recommendations have been fully implemented.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?

7%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

3 additional recommendations have been partially implemented.

Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes ☒ No ☐ Not Applicable ☐

Agency Feedback Comments

The agency provides feedback through the Designated Federal Officer or through correspondence between the Commission and the DAC.

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

Checked if Applies

Reorganized Priorities	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reallocated resources	<input type="checkbox"/>
Issued new regulation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proposed legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Approved grants or other payments	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Action Comments

Not Applicable

Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?

No

Grant Review Comments

Not Applicable

How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

	Checked if Applies
Contact DFO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Agency Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Committee Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online GSA FACA Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Publications	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Access Comments

Not Applicable